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Ms. Marlene Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street S.W. Washington, DC 20554

Re: Comment Deadlines Established Regarding the LightSquared Technical Working Group Report, IB Docket No. 11-109

Dear Ms. Dortch,

I hope that the Federal Communications Commission will continue to work to expand broadband wireless in the U.S. by facilitating the launch of LightSquared's new network as soon as is possible.

Demand for wireless broadband data is growing 40,000% over the next four years, yet capacity is growing at a much slower rate. Thus, America has no greater challenge than to increase broadband wireless capacity; otherwise, we risk losing our competitive status in the global economy. For the sake of fairness, we also must ensure that all Americans have an equal opportunity to access the Internet.

I realize that LightSquared's signal may cause interference with some GPS devices. My business demands GPS excellence every minute of every day or my crew and boats could be in more than just a little trouble. Even with so



much at stake I have little doubt that this new network will not put a single person in danger or put the GPS industry at risk. All Americans will win if LightSquared is permitted to move forward, but countless will suffer if they are not.

That's why I have no reason to do anything but support continued study and remediation efforts. I am confident these problems can be solved, and should be solved, for the good of the country.

As you know, LightSquared has already agreed to use only half of its licensed spectrum, solving the problem for more than 99% of GPS devices. In addition, LightSquared has agreed not to launch its network until a remediation plan is in place for the remaining receivers. Furthermore, LightSquared has agreed to underwrite the research and installation of the receivers. These steps are extraordinary, given that LightSquared first announced its plans a decade ago, and the GPS industry has had years to prepare.

LightSquared's network is too valuable an opportunity to waste: a privately funded \$14 billion investment in an Innovative hybrid satellite/terrestrial system that would cover at least 260 million Americans by 2015. And as a wholesale provider, LightSquared would increase competition more than a traditional retail provider would.

The FCC's policy on this important new network should be two-pronged: (a) protect GPS and (b) approve LightSquared. America needs both.

Sincerely

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